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### A Navy "Reform" Farm.

It was probably an unfortunate title which former Surgeon General P. M. Rixey, U. S. N., gave to his proposed when he called it a "reform farm." appeal to those who follow the sea.

have taken seriously the recommendations for the establishment of such a the moral and physical welfare of en- afternoon.' listed men of the navy, more especially Is it possible that there is any such bet- will be nearly complete. for men of the service who are serving condition over existence in prisons.

who is being punished because he vio- navy. lated regulations or disobeyed the laws of the land. It would seem that there is Island is to display a much brighter light naval prisoners. They are apt to be well cared for under the system which now prevails, with the close scrutiny exercised by sanitary officers. Their welfare involves the solicitous regard of the authorities, and at no time do they appear to be the objects of public sympathy or the occasion of relief.

is the day that Col. Roosevelt breaks duly high when comparison is made with back onto the front page again.

## Against Ship Subsidies.

merce, New York, last year, Mr. Nixon ington cited the fact that "we pay about \$300,nating tonnage taxes and discriminating duties, and it is for laws providing these things that Mr. Nixon is working.

Mr. Nixon places the blame for the un satisfactory condition of our trade with South America not on "lack of ships." but on "lack of ships flying the American flag," a distinction which, in his opinion, makes all the difference in the world. And yet the average citizen will, perhaps, find it difficult to see-other than in a very worthy patriotic impulse-where the difference lies. No ship to-day that has not been admitted to American register can fly the American flag, which practically means that she must be American built. owned, and manned. Practically speaking, tions that is often lost sight of when the this means substituting a much more expensive over-sea carrier service than our shippers are able to command at present. Economic conditions are such that American ships cost more to build than foreign aspects of municipal government. The ships, and their crews must be better paid nation is the governing body here, and that, unless we are willing and able to setting the highest attainable standard of descend in the scale of competition and city government and of the practical German, Russian, British, and other problems may be of vastly greater benefor carrying our goods to market. Of result from a high standard of architecthe South American, as in other markets, and the benefits of a model municipal our producers, manufacturers, and mer- community. chants would find themselves unable to compete, on equal terms, with the foreign goods carried to market at much less cost. All that we would gain, practically speaking, would be the glow of patriotism that might come from the the people if the present Congress should a

flown over an American cargo.

We think it is undoubted that a great end of the session. majority of Americans would be glad to Entered at the post-office at Washington, D. C., present poor estate, to regain some of the has put himself into the Louis Brandeis glory in friendly rivalry on the seas that it had won so worthily prior to the war of 1812. But we are equally of the opinion that the American people are not willing thing he thought of. to pay too dearly for this privilege. The .\$4.30 per year profit in carrying American merchandise ciple that practice makes perfect? will rejoice; but if such a consummation ....50 cents per month can be brought about only through aid ...\$6.00 per year drawn-no matter in how subtle a man-...... \$2.00 per year likely to be forthcoming.

In spite of all they are saying against contributions, and no communications to Senator Lodge, we know there must be a The Democratic members of Congress the editor will be printed except over the lot of good in a man who is careful seem to be divided in opinion as to never to split an infinitive.

### Betting in the Navy.

The mercantile community of Annapolis Md., appears to be having a celebration less political campaign. sewspaper, whether for the daily or the Sunday issue, should be addressed to of its own as a sequel to the Navy victory over the Army in the football game at Franklin Field in Philadelphia. Of course, Annapolis, impregnated as it is the canal celebration be here also? with the Navy sentiment, might be expected to be loyal to the institution within its confines, but there now appears to he admits that he is a liar. be a very practical reason for the celebration. We find the Evening Capital left an estate of \$30,000. Thus may a of Annapolis indulging in the following nuisance become a source of wealth.

"Annapolis was, of course, much tickled was perfectly disinterested-then. To-day, cure has long been in occasional use. incititution for the benefit of the health however, the joy of the Annapolis mer of certain members of the enlisted force chants, tailors, &c., was even greater than it was last Saturday. 'And for why?' Well, every one knows that the average The word "reform" is associated with Mr. Middy spends the most of his money corrective agencies, while the allusion to in Annapolis, and they also know-they an agricultural establishment fails to are up-to-date and read the Capital—that the said Middles won something like \$4,000 ppeal to those who follow the sea.

On the recent little ping-pong contest on the recent little ping-pong contest on called that it was hope that made Milsimolians were properly divided among wankee famous. the young gentlemen during the past week, and by the same tokens began to farm, the object of which is to improve go back into circulation in Annapolis this which will not hobble and hat pins

ting going on between the two academies? sentences of imprisonment imposed by This sort of thing has been effectually naval courts. At present, these men must discouraged in baseball contests, to the necessarily be incarcerated in places of gratification of lovers of that game and time for the sugar trust. detention, such as those at Boston and to the decided advantage of the game ath, N. H. Probably the reform itself. The laws are pretty strict in profarm would have a beneficial effect upon hiriting betting on horse races. Perhaps the health and contentment of individ- football is a sort of game which cannot uals and would doubtless be an improved be injured by anything, but there must be somewhere naval or military regula-In philanthropic projects of this kind, tions which specifically provide that there fights this year. If this average keeps care must be exercised not to make the shall be no betting, another name for up, the reform of the prize ring may situation of the prisoner altogether too gambling, among members of the milipleasant. It is not necessary to have tary-naval personnel. If there be such a the conditions of imprisonment rendered regulation, it ought to be applied, first ter-writing is a lost art. But the ments appears to have been signally efa comfortable retreat, with relief from and most, to the young men who are divorce courts do not bear out this comarduous duty or attending circumstances being specially trained for careers as plaint. which impart an air of luxury to a man commissioned officers in the army and

### Magnificence, Net Extravagance.

The citizens of Washington, than whom there are no more zealous workers for civic welfare and improvement, come in for undeserved criticism at times on the score of extravagant demands and unreasonable requests for improvements. The cost of running the several municipal Remember the date-December 13. That departments appears to many to be unthat of other cities throughout the country.

The prime cause of this lies in the In an editorial of November 25 dealing fact that the beauty of Washington, the with our trade with South America, we splendor of the Federal buildings, and quoted from a speech by Mr. Lewis Nixon, the pride of the Nation in its Capital formerly a well-known shipbuilder, and have all tended to set a standard of up later for a second subscription.' credited him with being a long-time friend municipal magnificence which practically of ship subsidies. In that we did him prohibits that practice of economy, rean injustice, Mr. Nixon is an ardent ad- trenchment, and makeshift arrangement vocate of such measures as will encourage which is possible in other cities. If the the carrying abroad of American commerce growth of the city make an improvein vessels flying the American flag, but ment imperative, whether it be a bridge, he does not believe that subsidizing an a school building, or what not, a struc-American merchant marine is the way to ture that would be regarded as imposing in another less beautiful city would be In a speech before the Chamber of Com- deficient and wholly impossible in Wash-

All the great capitals of the world have 000,000 freight charges now" to foreign ves- experienced similar conditions. It has sels carrying our commerce abroad; and long been perceptible in parts of London. in a magazine article, supplementing this When Napoleon inaugurated his great speech, he adduces from this fact that "a plan for beautifying Paris, standards nation which depends upon other nations were set which have been adhered to in to do its carrying on the sea is tributary all subsequent improvements and addito the nations that do its carrying, and tions. The practice of economy in supas its dependence increases, so will the plying the absolute needs of Washington tribute." He believes that our mercantile means either doing without or a lowering marine can be rehabilitated by discrimi- of the standards that now exist. The growth of the city is proceeding rapidly n every direction. Demands are increasing in the same ratio, and consistent efforts to meet them require an exacting and incredible amount of effort on the part of the several earnest and progressive bodies of business men who devote their best energies to civic improvements

Under such conditions, expenditures for the erection and maintenance of municipal institutions in Washington will not compare favorably in point of economy with similar expenditures in other cities. From the very nature of things, they must inevitably be more expensive

There is another side to the question of efficient support of municipal institucost is under consideration. It is the reflex action upon the entire country that must certainly follow the highest development in Washington of the several and beter fed; and it stands to reason the opportunity that is thus afforded of vie on equal terms with the Norwegian, demonstration of the solution of civic freighters, we must pay a higher charge fit to the nation than, perhaps, might course, it is the "ultimate consumer," ture Washington might easily be brought, again, who pays the freight; and thus in to reflect upon the nation the methods

> President Diaz must find the delivery of inauguration addresses somewhat mo-

It would be a fine revenge and good for

notonous.

knowledge that the American flag had clip the wings of its successor by abol-

The President, in showing how the govsee our merchant marine recover from its ernment may be saved \$53,000,000 a year

dent's message did not contain every-

A Boston woman is going to take her

It is becoming more and more difficult for the plain citizen to make money. Judge Dill, "the father of trusts," is dead, but he left a numerous and vigor-

What the people want to see is a wire- on the floor!"

society.

If, as some believe, the Panama revo

Somehow we never doubt a man

A hand-organ man of St. Paul, Minn., A French physician claims as a new

The mayor of Milwaukee wants to see "Salome" before he condemns it and pro-

ness for you! Milwaukee, under its Socialist mayor, is to give municipal hops. It may be re-

hibits its performance. There's selfish-

When the women get hobble skiris lege.

And the fact that the children need a lot of sweets about this time of the year ought to help make Christmas a merry

It is just as important to shop right as | dency. it is to shop early; in both ambitions you can be greatly aided by The Washington Herald's advertising columns

Sixteen pugilists have been killed in come from the inside.

The statue of Liberty on Bedloe's the fortification of the Panama Canal.

patent medicine circulars in the mails.

### A LITTLE NONSENSE.

A HURRY CALL,

Oh, Burbank, for thy aid we yearn; Our need is sore Just do for us this kindly turn-We ask no more.

Put on a hundred men or so At training Christmas trees to grow Their little gifts.

Christmas Charity.

"That's just it. I den't care to b

"Before we were married you bought ne much handsomer presents.

A Week with Each.

"Don't, eh?" said the new janito 'I've been in this apartment house a

There's ninety families in it; I'm good for a year more.' No End to It. Some bought gifts early, they avow,

But still they stew. They hustle out and daily now

Exchange a few. A Wonderful Woman, "Thrifty, is she?"

"Thrifty? I won't go into a long dis course. I merely tell you that she banks money in December.

Noticed Any? "I notice one harbinger of the new

"The 1911 models in automobile jokes A String of Names.

"It must be troublesome to name these

gestion need be rejected.'

# ishing the franking privilege toward the HUMAN NATURE IN WASHINGTON LORD KITCHENER end of the session.

By FRED C. KELLY.

day or so."

Members of the staff of the Grand | One of the crowds of visitors being And yet it is intimated that the Presi- Rapids Herald, owned by Senator Will- shown through the White House the and explaining in pathetic tones that old formed a partnership with a prominent iam Alden Smith, of Michigan, regard other day was a tall, thoughtful-looking England is bound to go to the bow-wows law firm in this city, and will divide his the Senator as an ideal man to work man, with a prominent Adam's apple the Senator as an ideal man to work and a foothbrush in his upper left-hand for. He is one of the comparatively few and a toothbrush in his upper left-hand newspaper proprietors in the country who vest pocket. He said he was from Indiputive reporter or interviewer, and inquisitive reporter or interviewer. words discriminating tonnage taxes and "discriminating duties" are likely to sound no more pleasantly in the ears of the great bulk of consumers at home than the words "ship subsidies." In other words, and believe to sound so high in her estimation.

A poston woman is going to take ner newspaper proprietors in the country who are practical newspaper men; and the ana, and apparently he hailed from one of those towns where anybody who is up hotographer's camera he pleads for newsboys feel that they have something in common with the proprietor, inasmuch in the evening is from indicating the was from Indiana, and apparently he hailed from one of those towns where anybody who is up hotographer's camera he pleads for newsboys feel that they have something in common with the proprietor, inasmuch in the evening is from indianating duties" are likely to sound friends up in her own aero. We surmise and the was from Indiana, and apparently he hailed from one of those towns where anybody who is up hotographer's camera he pleads for newsboys feel that they have something in common with the proprietor, inasmuch in the evening is from indianating duties" are likely to sound friends up in her own aero. We surmise are practical newspaper men; and the was from Indiana, and apparently he hailed from one of those towns where anybody who is up hotographer's camera he pleads for mercy on account of his "inexperience."

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I wish you would read over that editorial carefully," he said, "to catch any slips of speech, and to cut it down if The Democratic members of Congress half if you wish. But there is just one thing about it that I don't want tamperseem to be divided in opinion as to whether Champ Clark should be Speaker or the presiding officer of a debating paragraph from the last must stand just project.

Change it around or cut it down one-half if you wish. But there is just one thing about it that I don't want tamperseem to be divided in opinion as to whether Champ Clark should be Speaker or the presiding officer of a debating paragraph from the last must stand just order heard the yawpin' that dog paragraph from the last must stand just just order heard the yawpin' that dog paragraph from the last must stand just just order heard the yawpin' that dog per tat commanding armies, but were he seems like most to start an army of him would be practical with all that piano tunin' goin' on. Why, we used to have a little brown rat terrier dog, and the closing sentence in the second paragraph from the last must stand just just order heard the yawpin' that dog per tat commanding armies, but were he

certain of getting the Speaker's job by lution, which made possible the canal, and by, tooks this year more like a had its origin in Washington, should not journeyman parson of the old school than ever, except for a new necktie. It is a red necktie about three shades brighter than the tights worn by John carnation in his lapel, one wonders it Louisville is located was equivalent to Champ Clark chances to have a bit of being elected. When the Republicans old fashioned Southern superstition in were making up their ticket that year-"Annapolis was, of course, much tickled discovery the curing of drunkards by his system. Can it be that he is of the water was perfectly disinterested—then. To-day, cure has long been in occasional use. the weather man says will come true?

bating societies both at Kentucky University and Bethany College. It is said, and the young Republican joke victim too, that he invariably stood at the head was elected. of his classes all through school and col-

bers of his party could Champ Clark himself is frank to say whereabouts, for he had left town not which will not nobble and hat pins which will not stick, their reformation that the hope of being Speaker some even knowing that he was a candidate day has been the chief factor in keeping for office. At last they found him. He him in the House all these years. He was down in Texas, or somewhere in had a good notion some time ago, he the Southwest, posting bills for a cirsays, to run for Senator, but refrained, because he thought he saw ahead his present chances for the Speakership, which place he prefers to any other in and got along first rate. His "assistant" and got along first rate. His "assistant" public life, unless it would be the Presi- was "Bob" Woods, present postmaster

### ECONOMY IN P. O. DEPT.

Fourth Assistant De Graw Especially Deserving of Credit.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer. President Taft's insistence on the observance of greater economy in the ad-Fourth Assistant Postmaster General De in the President's message. Graw is responsible. This is manifested One way not to economize is to consider the expenditure of \$14,000,000 for the fortification of the Panama Canal.

Graw is responsible. This is that the expenditures by the figures showing the expenditures and the figures showing the expenditures of that office during the fiscal year which ended last June 30, as exhibited in the current report of the auditor for the years. The business world in its pres-If we get universal penny postage, it with the expenditures of the previous whole a decidedly recommend to the previous whole a decided to the previous whole a de no great necessity for going to the exthan heretofore; and this, also, will probpense of establishing reformatory instiably be accredited to the Democrats,

If we get universal penny postage, it with the expenditures of the previous whole a decidedly reassuring document.

will be harder than ever to spot those expenditures, excluding the year, these expenditures, excluding the year, these expenditures, excluding the year. cost of the free rural delivery service complished by a careful, constant, and sage must take into account the unusual vigilant attention to the details of the circumstances which now face the Taft

Some of the items on the list are interesting and instructive. Thus, the bill the defeat of Bryan in 1896. for stationery was cut very nearly in with a resultant saving of more | Brooklyn Eagle: To the classified list than \$70,000. Another expense which was the President would add first, second, chase of blanks, &c., for the use of the which was pared lown from more than \$150,000 to less than matter, he profests that the government \$110,000, with a gain to the government is furnishing to the owners of maga-of \$41,995. It is rather surprising to learn zines a service worth millions more than hat it cost the department very nearly they pay for it, and that justice re-"See me just before Christmas about \$100,000 for wrapping twine, but as the cost last year was more than \$165,000, there was a saving under this head of \$5,261, while less by \$18,740 was spent on least one recommendation in the Prestypewriters, copying presses, &c., than had been spent the year before, when the expenditures for these articles amounted no difficulty in carrying out during the

When these retrenchments can be made by a close supervision and the applica-tion of business methods in the expenses expense involved so utterly insignificant then. You lived on your father, and I be believed that by the introduction of the the same methods in all branches of the public service reductions totaling many shoul A Week with Each.
"I don't like to be always moving without any detriment to the general welfare, and the President will be heartily sustained by the sentiment of the community in his insistence that a careful economy shall everywhere be made one of the guiding principles of official administration. Those who are spending other people's money are under a strong and constant temptation to be, if not wastefully extravagant, at least unsubjects that he desired, he now asserts at issue. Was after all in the resident makes it time, and he had no guarantee before hand that they possessed the necessary intelligence to understand the question and the president makes it time, and he had no guarantee before hand that they possessed the necessary intelligence to understand the question and the president makes it time, and he had no guarantee before hand that they possessed the necessary and constant temptation to be, if not subjects that he desired, he now asserts at issue. necessarily liberal, in their disposition that business methods have been greatly

Mr. De Graw deserves credit for being among those by whom this temptation has been successfully resisted. The record he has made is certainly excellent.

Vital Issue in Chicago.

the fact is, as the experts of the Post- nuffin'." rom the New York Evening Telegra office show, that we are furnishing to Notice by the Chicago Tribune that the 1,500 composing the socially elect of the the solemn question, "Should overshoes be worn at opera?"

Was, and that out a little wine ago, when the automobilist was looked upon in Englishment of the automobilist was looked upon in Englishment of the military department not in relition.

ment.

Why Moses Was Great.

from the Lafayette Courier. A Louisiana doctor says the law of by all babies."

"Easiest thing in the world. No sug"Easiest thing in the world. No so many appendicitis operations.

### GOD BLESS US EVERY ONE.

"God bless us every one!" prayed Tiny Tim, Crippled, and dwarfed of body, yet so tall Of soul, we tiptoe earth to look on him, High towering over all,

He loved the loveless world, nor dreamed, indeed, That it, at best, could give to him, the while, But pitying glances, when his only need Was but a cheery smile.

And thus he prayed, "God bless us every one." Enfolding all the creeds within the span Of his child-heart; and so, despising none, Was nearer saint than man.

I like to fancy God, in Paradise, Lifting a finger o'er the rhythmic swing Of chiming harp and song, with eager eyes Turned earthward, listening-

The Anthem stilled-the angels leaning there Above the golden walls-the morning sun Of Christmas bursting flower-like with the prayer, "God bless us every one!"

-JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY.

## SHUNS LIMELIGHT

Instead of standing in the limelight as a lawyer, of New York, and former Repsome of his less gifted "confreres" do resentative in Congress. Mr. Pence has unless it takes his advice, Lord Kitchener time between here and New York. He

words "ship subsidies." In other words, if the builders of ships see a chance for profit in carrying American merchandise to foreign ports, the nation, as a whole, later he called up the office by tele- tuner comes around with his little doc- and, what is more, he believes in sticking clean and honest and corruption-free potor's case full of tuning utensils and to what he conceives to be his duty, just litical body which commands the respect as a cobbler sticks to his last.

tunes it, even if it is used every day.

The Indiana visitor pricked up his ears. Lord Kitchener for some time past "The Tafts don't keep a dog, do they?" he inquired, irrelevantly. "No? I knew you think it runs a little too long. Do anything you've a mind to with it. Change it around or cut it down oneas they are—all three of 'em, mind you, set up. 'Twas fearful. Seems like most to start an army of his own and go on inated. Tammany went to the convenas they are—all three of em, mind you dogs is the same way. They won't the warpath there certainly would be a stand for any monotonous harpin' on one protest raised in one quarter or another. key, the way a piano tuner does. I sh'd owing to the great popular prejudice think this'd be a bad neighborhood for against that sort of thing. dogs, with 'em tunin' that thing every

Kitchener's success primarily is due to the fact that he always has taken his victory for the Democrats, and they Speaking of the election surprises last profession seriously. He recognizes that elected a man than whom there is none month-assuming that people are still an army must have brain as well as better or more capable of filling the speaking about them—a Kentucky Con- muscle, and he has done his best to suphigh position to which he was elected.

"If the Democrats here in Congress Griffith in "Faust" out on the kerosene circuit. He has also been going around exercise of his blue suit. When it is recalled that "Uncle Joe" is a great hand to wear a "Uncle Joe" is a great hand to wear a carnation in his langle one wonders it Louisville is located was equivalent to half-pay retired major or colonel airing the promotes and the united goods. The average ply his share of the goods. The average British officer, as a rule, is more remarkable for pluck than intelligence. You have only to go to any gathering, either public or private, and hear a half-pay retired major or colonel airing men to select Presidential timber form.

nonsense really is. mittee who made up the slate conceived the idea of perpetrating a little joke on a young friend of his by putting in his Now that the Missourian does seem name for the office of county prosecutor. Sure to be the next Speaker, his friends are digging up all sorts of things about him showing that he was a "bo'n speakuh." For instance, it is recalled that he was presiding officer of the debating societies both at Kentucky Universely. The description of the great Napoleon spent all his spare time "with his nose on the the Congressman's story, and gave up the law business as a bad job.

Along came the Republican landslide and with provided the same thing. He not only learned how to down the foeman with a straight thrust, but he party. They are the two exhibits who returned from the promised land with provided in girl, the tactics got it every time. It is said that the great Napoleon spent all his spare time "with his nose on the map." Kitchener did the same thing. He not only learned how to down the foeman with a straight thrust, but he people that the Democratic party had within its gift measures and promised land with provided in girl, the tactics got it every time. It is party. They are the two exhibits who exhibi also learned how to build a railway so had within its gift measures and prom-that you could chase the foe for days in ises which, if applied wisely, would bene-It was about a month before the mem-

ascertain his

He came back, took office, hired an

PRESS COMMENT

quires the rates be increased.

comparison with the importance

dent again calls the attention of Con-

zine should be charged for at a higher

message will be found these sentences;

econd-class matter.

evidently approves of this.

reaches into the millions.

of the bill-already

ON THE MESSAGE

of Louisville.

been done in the East, chiefly owing to ticket.' the fact that there has been no war worth mentioning in any other quarter of the world belonging to the British for Railroad, something like three years mires its valiant field marshal, it cannot cisco, who is at the New Willard, "he be expected to get up a war just to keep made real one of the oldest projects on made real one of the oldest projects on the American continent. Nearly 400 years ago, a century before the Pilgrim Franco-Prussian war, but, just as he was beginning to enjoy the fight, hostilities were suspended and the palavering began that cost Napoleon his throne But quick water passage from Cadiz to gan that cost Napoleon his throne. But as Kitchener was no talker, even then, he had to look for another job.

"quick water passage from Cadiz to Cathay." Finding that the river was navigable for only twenty-five or thirty

Kitchener's great achievement, as we Hartford Times: This (final) con- for Egypt. When he was given the job be laid out along this route, and he seservative utterance is exactly what he did not at once rush out of his tent cured the grant of a strip of land across all know, was the recovery of the Sudan The schools are complaining that let- ministration of the governmental depart- everybody who is trying to build up any with a ringing battle cry and wave his fective in the office for whose direction lar in any legitimate way wishes to find began to figure out how much it would ost to build a railroad along the line of in the President's message.

Springfield Republican: Yet it is the most conservative message we have had from the White House in at least six

cost to build a railroad along the line of the route, and how long it would take to do it. Had he been an officer of the average type, probably he would have voted that sort of warfare a horrid bore, and he would at once have started to the ship was in place, the pontoon would and he would at once have started to climb over the trouble instead of walk-

New York Press: Those who do not have just trusted to British luck and show an aggregate reduction of nearly Second only have been achave applauded, but administration-circumstances which his would have lost the Sudan and its only ber of people in the project. party has not before experienced since when in a tight corner.

> out of politics. As to second-class mail thing of that very difficult problem-the zines a service worth millions more than Oriental mind, When you are dealing with gentlemanly Arab, who believes that if he dies fighting for Islam he will hold New York Evening Post: There is at superior rank in Paradise, it is no use behave. The whole business of his life ident's message that there ought to be rather die from a Christian bullet than destruction. short session of Congress. The reasons from internal cramps in his desert home. in favor of increasing the salaries of One of the things that many people ob expense involved so utterly insignificant the object to be attained, that the pasmethod of demonstrating to the sons of tion, a national gospel publicity should be attainable with very little ex-New York World: Business and inlessened the death roll on both sides of dustry will be interested in the fact that

> Lord Kitchener never took the trouble no changes of importance are proposed to explain to his critics. It would have in interstate commerce and anti-trust taken too long and too much valuable laws. While the President makes it time, and he had no guarantee beforesubjects that he desired, he now asserts at issue. War, after all, is not a quiet that business methods have been greatly social game in the parlor. It is rough improved, and he is willing to proceed enough sport in which two peoples set from your competitors in business for the present with the laws as they out with the idea of being very rude to can get results for heaven if you

stand, promising their strict enforce- each other. Kitchener's great specialty is the same New York Herald: "I insist that if as that of "Bre'r Fox," which, as you all remember, was to "lay low an' say When he speaks it is only on matters that are within his own immediannual message of last year, the Presigress to the inadequacy of the postal Moses covers the health requirements of rate at which thousands of so-called as he might be in official circles. There magazines that are in substance mere advertising circulars are distributed as second-class matter.

was talk recently of putting him at the head of the war office, but there are so many "slackers" there who in that case partment that the great aim of all par-ties ever since has been centered in the effort to keep Kitchener out of all would be sent out to find another job if The Postmaster General has pointed out that the advertising part of a magarate than its reading matter, a plan which would save many useful publica- long as pessible.

tions from being excluded from the mails When he was commander-in-chief in ber in his notebook for future use by a prohibitive rate. President Taft New York Sun: In the President's The unrestricted manner in which the franking privilege is now being used by the several Federal services and by Congress has laid it open to serious abuses, a fact clearly established through investigations recently instituted by the
department. While it has been impossible without a better control of frankwould have the department as defined as dense as that if at the head and the matter had been dropped;
thought the other day he got a friendly letter from the local police superintendent
which said that this official had received sible without a better control of frank- would have their fun spoiled. By way which said that this official had received Ing to determine the exact expense to the government of this practice, there can be be no doubt that it annually chief in the Mediterranean, where he street on September 20 last. The police The method by which nonpayment of ing up and down the bright blue sea and official added that there was no great postage is obtained is simple. A good-natured member of Congress is induced by the congressional by the congressi clined.

to have printed in the Congressional Record those documents the circulation the remarks he made to himself declining with his car the next time to comply of which is regarded as of importance. They are then reprinted in pamphlet the honor. But, all joking aside, I hear with the law. form and are entitled to carriage free that Kitchener is going East again. I know he will accept. Why? Simply bemay be partisan or nonpolitical. They may be partisan or nonpolitical. They cause he won't have to answer fifteen of course water, if pure. are privileged because of publication in times each day impertment questions as the Congressional Record and by virtue to why he does not get married. of the signature of a Representative or FLANEUR.

### AT THE HOTELS.

Daniel F. Cohalan, grand sachem of Tammany, is most favorably looked upon Lord Kitchener is a great soldier, as all as the next United States Senator from the world knows, but a poor advertiser. New York, according to Lafayette Pence,

> of everybody. It should not be forgotten that men like Tilden, Horatio Seymour, past and other eminently respectable and pub-licly honored men were members of Tammany in their time, and that Gaynor of late is a member, although he was elected without pledging himself to Tam-many in any shape or form. Well, Tammany did not expect anything from Gaynor, and got less.

"Everybody knows how Dix was nomple to bring forth their best man, and and again Cohalan insisted that the up-State people should name the man, and

half-pay retired major or colonel airing men to select Presidential timber from his views on life in order to learn what as they have now. There is Harmon of onsense really is.

As a young man Lord Kitchener did New Jersey, Champ Clark, Gaynor, and vitation to a picnic from a fluffy-haired party. They are the two exhibits who case the thrust had not quite done if the masses. They were the scouts of him up. They were the scouts of Most of Lord Kitchener's work has cellent combination for the Presidential

"When Diaz opened the Tehuantepec ome time. And, though all England ad- age," said William Nelson, of San Franmiles, he was still convinced that a great highway of commerce would some time cured the grant of a strip of land across the isthmus, which still remains in the

"It was across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec also that the great engineer, James be raised, lifting the ship up out of the water to the required level, with all its If he had done as some of the British officers did in the Boer war he would cially constructed car and pulled across down in the first rush. It would have as a great, practical engineer is firmly been, perhaps, magnificent and the world established, and before he died, in 1887, England he succeeded in interesting a vast numfield marshal as well. So it would ap- several years of his life to lecturing on pear that Kitchener is right and that an the proposed ship railroad and exhibited officer is paid for something else than his a heautiful working model of his project.

project, changed to fit present conditions, From his long residence in the East world wonders how far the Tehuantepec Kitchener has come to understand some- Isthmus Railroad will interfere with the ultimate success of the Panama Canal."

Rev. F. H. Parker, of Chicago, who is at the Arlington, is in favor of press agents for churches, and said:

"Gospel publicity, in my judgment, is threatening to kill him if he does not the one connecting link between the is waiting for death, and he would far the race from plunging into an abyss of

"In my opinion, the only remedy for barren churches is not to ject to is the fact that during the Sudan the inefficient efforts of individual parcampaign Kitchener shelled the Mahdi's ishes, but to handle the matter from a As a matter of fact, this simple strong, centralized, national organizathe desert that their dead chief could that shall aim to reach all of the people not work the miracles for which they all of the time; that shall, by every wise waiting patiently undoubtedly method of publicity, carry the nessage to every man, woman, and child

What advertising will do for commerce it will do for religion. Even more, for gospel advertising men must reckon with

'It requires the same ingenuity, aggres siveness, hustle, expenditure, and hard work to wrest souls from the clutches of Satan that it does to wrest dollars can get results for heaven if you make as strong a bid for men as hell does."

"There are more automobiles in the British Isles than there are in Germany, France, or any other continental coun said Richard Pease, of London, at the owners of magazines a service worth scheme for running the government of was, and that but a little while ago, when Renewing the suggestion made in his and he sticks closely to his own country. over the country, and the law was very

severe on him. "Driving at excessive speed to the publie danger,' as it is termed in the police court charge sheet, is an offense which is growing less and less, thanks to the efforts of the Royal Automobile Club and the Automobile Association. But when an offender in this respect is caught in hauffeur. He does not always even take effort to keep Kitchener out of office as the trouble to stop the car, being contented with simply registering the num-

"Compared with American methods for India he was on several occasions known to order a parade on the day which had stance of the easy going ways of the been set apart for a polo match or a ten-nis tea, and the ladies could not make the Automobile Club tells a good story. him understand that their parties were more important than the British army. He was touring in Cumberland some more important than the British army. Now, wasn't that "dense?" And he exceeding the speed limit. Time went on, might be as dense as that if at the head and as he heard no more about it, he would have had to spend his time steam- speed on September 30 last. The police the alleged offense, but advised the mo-I should rather have relished to hear torist that when he came into his county

Point Well Taken.

Of course water, if pure, is wholesome But that is no reason to permit milk dealers to put it in milk. It can be got (Copyright, 1919, by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.) | more cheaply from the kitchen faucet.